Agnew Says He's Divisive, But 'Positive'

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EL PASO, Oct. 5—Vice President Spiro T. Agnew admitted tonight that he was a devisive influence in American politics—but a positive divisive influence.

Agnew, in a speech prepared for delivery at a dinner in honor of Republican Sen John Tower of Texas, criticized what he called "a pompous, unelected liberal elite" in the United States.

He said this group alleged that "dividing the American people has been my main contribution to the national political scene since assuming the office of vice president over 2½ years ago."

Agnew said, "So that there can be no misunderstanding about my feelings on this subject, I not only plead guilty to this charge but I am somewhat flattered by it."